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TCS-7253-60  
4 April 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, Development Projects Division

ATTENTION :

SUBJECT

: [REDACTED]  
: Peripheral Photography of the Finnish-Russian Border

REFERENCE

: Memo for DD/P from Chairman, Ad Hoc Requirements Committee, same subject, dated 23 March 1960 (TCS-7187-60-a)

I am returning herewith the referenced memorandum. I have not approved the recommendation in paragraph 4. My reason is that, although it is so carefully worded as to be quite acceptable, formal approval might imply that the recommended operations could be conducted without jeopardy to higher priority targets. Under present circumstances, I believe it would be unwise to conduct missions against the targets here proposed because such action might provoke publicity or even diplomatic protest and could jeopardize other higher priority objectives. On the other hand, these targets should be kept in mind for coverage (as suggested in the recommendation itself) in conjunction with some other mission if such coverage could be obtained without added political or military exposure.

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Attachment

TCS-7187-60-a (Cys 1 thru 4)

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